Land Revenue Administration

Publication of the scheme report in regard to resettlement in South Kanara.

* 4 *Q.*—Mr. A. B. Shetty: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government propose to publish this year the scheme report in regard to resettlement in South Kanara; and

(*b*) whether the report proposes the enhancement of the rates of assessment; and, if so, by what per cent in the case of wet, dry and garden lands respectively?

A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The Government have not yet received a copy of the scheme report for the resettlement of the South Kanara district. They understand that it is likely to be published shortly.

Mr. A. B. Shetty:—"May I know whether representations have been made to the Government asking for the postponement of resettlement operations till the present slump in the prices of agricultural produce goes?"

The hon. Sir Archibald Campbell:—"I think we have received some representations."

Mr. M. S. Sreshta:—"Is the hon. Member aware that the prices are going down still further and the distress will be increased considerably?"

The hon. Sir Archibald Campbell:—"I am not aware that the prices are falling. I believe they are steady."

Mr. M. S. Sreshta:—"Will the hon. Member be pleased to call for figures showing the prices at the present moment and the prices prevailing some months ago and see whether the resettlement can be postponed?"

The hon. Sir Archibald Campbell:—"We receive regularly every week reports of prices."

Mr. M. S. Sreshta:—"May I know whether the Government will be pleased to collect the figures and place them before the Council?"

The hon. Sir Archibald Campbell:—"The prices are published in the gazette."

Mr. P. V. Krishnayya Choudari:—"May I know whether the Government are aware that Japan rice is imported into India?"

The hon. Sir Archibald Campbell:—"I believe some rice comes from Japan, Sir."

Mr. P. V. Krishnayya Choudari:—"May I know what steps the Government propose to take in the matter?"

The hon. the President:—"I do not think the hon. Member is quite in order in putting that supplementary question."

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